

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Syndromic Surveillance Reporting Fact Sheet for Meaningful Use

For more information, contact the Tennessee CEDEP Surveillance Systems & Informatics Program

The Communicable and Environmental Disease Services and Emergency Preparedness (CEDEP) section within the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) has programmatic oversight of Syndromic Surveillance activities across the state. Currently, out of the 13 Tennessee Public Health regions, all 13 perform Syndromic Surveillance activities. All 13 receive school absenteeism data and can receive data from select emergency departments and physician offices. Some receive limited EMS and 911 call center data as well. A centralized Syndromic Surveillance system is being explored.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Meaningful Use Public Health Menu Options and Core Items for Stage 1 and Stage 2 include:

Stage	Measure	Eligible Hospitals (EHs)	Eligible Professionals (EPs)
Stage 1	Immunization Registry Updates (Menu)	X	X
	Syndromic Surveillance* (Menu)	X	X
	Electronic Laboratory Reporting (Menu)	X	
Stage 2	Immunization Registry Updates (Core)	X	X
	Syndromic Surveillance* (Core)	X	X
	Electronic Laboratory Reporting (Core)	X	
	Cancer Case Reporting (Menu)		X
	Specialized Registry Reporting (Menu)		X

***At this time, the State of Tennessee is not participating in testing Syndromic Surveillance messaging for Meaningful Use Stages 1 or 2. However, in October 2015 the State of Tennessee will be participating in testing Syndromic Surveillance messaging for MU Stage 2.**

If you are interested in 1 or more of the Public Health Measures to meet the CMS Stages 1 or 2 Meaningful Use requirements, please visit: <https://tn.gov/health/topic/meaningful-use-summary>

For more information about Syndromic Surveillance in Tennessee, please contact:
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